

RICH WOMAN CAST IN CELL.

Aged and ill, Mrs. Durrenberger, Mistaken for Beggar, Is Roughly Handled.

SHE WILL SEEK REDRESS.

Left Alone by Her Maid in Madison Square She Is Hustled Into Patrol Wagon.

Arrested by mistake as a beggar, although a wealthy woman and innocent of any wrong doing, jacked into a patrol wagon with a dozen professional mendicants of the Tenderloin district, Mrs. Margaret Durrenberger, who feared she was being kidnapped, could learn of her plight and secure her release—such was the experience yesterday of Mrs. Margaret Durrenberger. She is seventy-four years old, independently rich and a widow. She lives at No. 114 West Twenty-seventh street. After her hard ordeal she had to go to Jefferson Market Court this morning to relate the real circumstances of her case.

With her maid, Mrs. Durrenberger, who is so infirm as to use a crutch, went yesterday to take a walk in Madison Square Park, as is her usual custom. While the maid was in a nearby hotel securing a book to read to the invalid officers of the Charity Organization, in the initial raid of a crusade against beggars, swooped down on the park and gathered in Mrs. Durrenberger with a crowd of mendicants.

By Mrs. Durrenberger.

Why I was arrested and sent to the station-house to be put in a cell I do not yet know. It is an outrage, and I have secured the strength to speak about it, to-day.

Yesterday afternoon I went to Madison Square Park from my home, in West Twenty-seventh street, accompanied by my maid, to take a short walk for exercise, as I always do when the weather is pleasant. My maid, who is a French girl, was with me, and she was in the park without incident, and the balmy air was so refreshing to me that I suggested that my maid purchase a book and read to me.

Attacked by illness.

She had not been gone from my side for an instant when I began to feel ill. I felt that an attack such as I often experience because of my advanced age was coming on, and leaving the seat, walked in the direction which my maid had taken, hoping to meet her on her return.

Before I had taken many steps my lame leg pained me so that I was obliged to stop at the Fifth avenue sidewalk and lean on my crutch for support. I caught no sight of my maid, and just when it seemed as if I would surely faint I was grabbed bodily by a man, who hustled me into a wagon. As to who the man was, what the wagon was for, and the reason of my being handled so roughly, I had no idea. It was all done so quickly that I was speechless.

When I recovered my composure I questioned the other occupants of the wagon in German, but they evidently did not understand me, for they made no reply. As the wagon rolled along, I became very ill and tried to tell the man who had grabbed me.

Frightened, in awful suspense. I was too frightened to know what I was doing and I was in awful suspense. I was innocent of any wrongdoing and did not know until I alighted at the police station that the vehicle was a patrol wagon. Once inside the station house my predicament seemed to become worse.

Despite the condition I was in I was ordered to stand up before a gruff sergeant with a lot of uncouth people who were poorly dressed and used bad language. My situation, after I tried unsuccessfully to tell the officer who I was, seemed so hopeless to me that I lost courage and simply stood mute until I was led away to a dark cell. Such suffering as I then endured I had never before dreamed of.

I was weak and faint but I could not make anybody understand me. It appeared as if they thought I was shamming. When my relatives came to secure my release, on had several hours later, I hardly recognized them.

Treatment a disgrace to City.

Such treatment as I was compelled to submit to is a disgrace to the city of New York, and I feel the effects of it very much to-day. My physician will have to come to my aid, and if I ever get well enough I will investigate this matter to the end and see why a wealthy woman is hauled off to a police station just because she is alone and unprotected on the street.

I carried a crutch, but that is no reason that I should be judged a vagrant, and it was my misfortune that I could not speak English well enough to make my captors understand me. I cannot conceive why the police should make such an error. They might have investigated before causing me this terrible strain.

I think they would do better to look after thieves instead of beggars. Why, in the last two weeks burglary has twice been attempted in my home. I live in West Twenty-seventh street, and as yet the police have made no progress toward locating the thieves. But I am not able to talk any more now.

When I am I will call to account those who are responsible for my plight. It is too much of an outrage to be called a mistake. Even if a mistake had been made at the station, it was made to rectify it, and I had to suffer.

Bayard Relative Killed by Train.

BURLESON, Tex., Dec. 3.—J. M. Bayard, of this place, was killed by a train in Port Worth. Mr. Bayard was one of the wealthiest and most distinguished men in the country. He was a native of New York and was a cousin of the late Thomas F. Bayard, former Secretary of State.

THE BIG STORE CITY IN ITSELF SIEGEL COOPER & CO.

SIXTH AVE. MEET ME AT THE FOUNTAIN 13th & 14th STS.

A Dazzling Jewelry Store.

Crowds Are Buying for Christmas as Never Before.

The Jewelry Store on the main floor is all aglow and aglitter with gleaming, sparkling precious stones and golden enchantments.

Everything you see alluringly suggests Christmas. Diamonds nestle like sparks of fire in beds of purple or ebony velvet; Watches, Bracelets, Dress Studs, Scarf Pins, Lorgnette Chains, Neck Chains, Locketts, Knives and ever so many other beautiful and useful things and their charms.

The special sale of Rings is in the very summit of its success. It is attracting extraordinary attention. Thousands of Rings are being sold. Truly an embarrassment of riches in the Jewelry Store. And the prices? Fine things at fair prices. The very prices no one begrudges paying. Excellently satisfactory.

HERE ARE JUST A FEW TIMELY SUGGESTIONS:

CHATELAIN BAG, solid steel beads, with French gray top and chateleine, chamois back and lining, extra fine quality, worth \$5.00; special at 2.75

CHATELAIN BAG, same style as above, of a smaller size and worth \$3.50; special at 1.75

SOLID GOLD NECKLACE, with heart pendant, worth \$7.00, 95

SOLID GOLD CUFF BUTT-ON Roman or bright finish, new designs, worth \$2.00; price to-morrow, 95

LOUGNETTE CHAIN, gold filled, with solid gold stone-set slides, regular \$2.50 value; choice to-morrow, 95

STERLING SILVERWARE. STERLING MOUNTED BRUSH AND COMB; handsome fancy pattern in nicely lined case; regular value, \$3.75; special to-morrow, 7.00

STERLING MOUNTED MANICURE SET of 5 pieces; fancy handles; Hook, File, Shoe Horn, Scissors and Cuticle; worth \$3.00; complete set to-morrow, 1.95

NUBIAN HEADS, full life size; typically garbed and colored; 6 styles; regularly sold \$1.50; specially priced, 79

SANDALWOOD FANS, hand-painted, in gilt and colors; very decorative; 19

DAMASCUS FINGER BOWLS, made of solid brass, richly polished and hand-embossed; each, 39

SPEAR HEADS for doors and cozy corners; Turkish, Moorish and Persian designs; finished in silver, vermeil, or old iron; \$1.00; choice, each, 69

INDIA PEARL CURTAINS, 50 inches wide, 3 1/2 yards long; artistic effects; each, 1.45

DAMASCUS TABOURETTES, beautifully inlaid with pearl and metal; worth \$2.50; each, 1.50

ORIENTAL COW TAIL HANGERS; nothing decorates or adds a handsome finish to a corner or drapery like these pretty ornaments; choice of four colorings; worth 75 more; special price, each, 69

EVERYTHING FOR DENS AND COZY CORNERS.

The rich, mystic beauty of the New Oriental Store will impress you at once. It is a display to engage the intellect; to bring vividly to mind the romantic allures of Eastern decorative schemes.

DAMASCUS STRIPED CURTAINS, rich colorings; suitable for window or door; drapery or wall coverings; \$1.50 value; each, 95

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Bright Dawn of the Holidays And the Importance of Homefitters' Day.

The curtain has risen. The Holiday Festival is beginning at The Big Store with exhilarating vim and enthusiasm.

It is a marvellous mart of Christmas cheer and brilliant activity. The windows with their radiant displays; the store with its magnificent decorations; the aisles, counters, cases, shelves and thousand other show places, with their superb new stocks, symbolize the advent of the period of good-will and gift exchanging.

But in all this swirl of trade, in all this rapidly increasing holiday animation, the staples, those regular requirements of every-day life, have been kept keenly in mind.

Homefitters' Day will to-morrow prove its power and attractiveness with more force than usual because of the happy manner in which it blends with the season, and because of the ardent desire of all housekeepers to have their homes look fine and bright at this time of the year.

And so we give prominence to a number of exceptionally tempting offers from the Homefitter Departments.

The new Oriental Store on the 3d Floor has attained immediate popularity, and is visited by many people daily.

These Are Merry Days in Toyland.

Fun in the Realm of Toys, Dolls and the New Games.

It's a world all by itself, this wonderful Toyland, with its gorgeous Christmas attractions.

Toy people do almost as many things as we do; have almost as many marvellous inventions. There are trolley cars, steam cars, electric cars, horses, cows, sheep, wagons, policemen, soldiers, citizens, women, children—in brief, almost everything and everybody you see around you in everyday life.

Toyland people do not eat, but they sit at tables, with napkins under their chins and their hands at their plates. The table is temptingly set, but they do not feast, unless it be in some invisible way.

At any rate, it is a most jolly deception. Have you been in The Big Store's Toyland? Largest and finest in America.

The Doll Show is the largest display ever known. It is a sight to make the children clap their hands with delight—to make their eyes sparkle.

BEAUTIFUL DOLLS

At Extraordinary Prices.

Having been appointed the principal selling agents for the three following well-known dolls for the season of 1901, we quote them as follows:

CELEBRATED "SANTA" JOINTED DOLLS; in jointed china, with arms and legs; bisque heads; moving glass eyes; open mouth showing teeth; full sewed hair; long flowing or short curly hair; some centre parted; daintily dressed in the latest fashion; full set of underclothing; finished body made, 1.25

10 inch size, 1.25

20 inch size, 1.65

24 inch size, 2.35

POPULAR "IMPERIAL" KID BODY DOLLS, finest quality; bisque heads; jointed arms and legs; moving glass eyes; open mouth showing teeth; full sewed hair; long flowing or short curly hair; some centre parted; daintily dressed in the latest fashion; full set of underclothing; finished body made, 1.25

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FAVORITE D. P. DRESSED DOLLS; known the world over as the handsomest and best dressed dolls; bisque heads; moving glass eyes; long flowing curls, dressed in the latest fashion; full set of underclothing; finished body made, 1.25

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THE "HAROLD" DOLL; dressed doll in New York at the price

DRESSED DOLLS; 15 inches long, 49

KID BODY DOLLS; 11 inch size, 19

JOINTED DOLLS, 21-inch size, 95

We are showing the finest assortment of DOLL HEADS, BODIES, ARMS, ETC.

WE ALSO REPAIR DOLLS.

S. A. V. G. S. BANKS, mechanical styler, Magician, Kidding Mule, William Tell, etc.; malleable iron; finished in fancy colors, 69

WHITE ENAMELED DOLLHEADS; new mold design, strong wire spring; size 10x19 inches, 50

BOBBY HORSE, hardwood, neatly painted; hair mane and tail; stirrups; upholstered seats, 1.65

EXPRESS WAGON, "The Daisy," hardwood, neatly decorated, 20x13 inch body, riveted tire wheels, iron axles, high back seat, with whip, 1.30

PATROL WAGON, Police or Fire, strong and durable; steel gearing; upholstered seats; 30x13 inches; will seat 5 children comfortably; front wheels turn under body; 16 and 21 inch wheels with spokes; hand-rails, 8.95

CHILD'S FOLDING TABLES, hardwood, size 21x13 inches, highly polished, 1.25

HOOK AND LADDER, strong and durable, hardwood, painted in blue, red and yellow; truck is 40 inches long; two 4-foot side ladders, one 5-foot ladder, seat, 1.50

MAGIC BOX, magnetic toy that will cause more than a dozen fancies to perform grotesque gyrations on its smooth surface, 25

VELOCIPED, malleable iron, finished in bicycle livery; adjustable seat; 14-inch wheels; 10-inch front wheel, 14-inch rear wheels; suitable for child or 6 years, 1.10

MAGIC HOOP AND PITCH-A-RING GAMES—This old and still popular game leads to extended comment, 59

MECHANICAL ROAMING SEAL, comical toy that shoots zig-zag fashion, continually forming the figure eight, 25

HOUSE FURNITURE; large size table and 4 chairs; hardwood; in strong wood box, 18

GAMES; Topsy Turvy, On Guard, Up and Down, Wide Awake, Base-ball, and twenty other very interesting games; highly lithographed, 8

PRUNES—10-lb. boxes fancy large Santa Clara Prunes, rich flavor, very meaty; box, 35

FIGS—New importation; 5 tons just received; fancy For Crown Smyrna Figs; lb., 12

TEA—New chop; fancy Formosa Oolong, Young Hyson, English Breakfast, India, Ceylon or Japan Tea; rich aromatic flavor; delicious cup quality; 2 1/2 lbs., \$1.00; lb., 45

PUMPKINS—"Hazel" extra fancy Golden Pumpkin for making the old-fashioned home-made pumpkin pies; can, 35

PLUM PUDDING—"Mildred" brand one can sufficient for six people; 10

EXTRACTS—"Hazel" triple concentrated extract of lemon, 4-lb. bot., 45

BEET EXTRACT—"Hazel" Extract of beet, produced from the finest selected cattle; very nutritious and nourishing; 4-oz. bot., 60c.; 2-oz. bot., 30c.

SOAP—"Mildred" Family Long Bar Soap, absolutely pure, bar

RAISINS—Fancy new California Raisins, 50-lb. bot., \$4.00; lb., 45

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